

Abstract of the Disclosure

An infant pacifier having a uniquely configured guard assembly for engaging the infant's face to effectively prevent the pacifier from being accidentally swallowed or inhaled by the infant, while at the same time permitting free passage of nasogastric tubing. The guard assembly includes a generally U-shaped body having a front surface, a back surface, a generally rounded bottom portion and a concave upper portion, which permits passage of the nasogastric tubing. The infant pacifier also includes a nipple extending outwardly from the front surface of the guard, the nipple having an axial centerline concentric with said rounded bottom portion of the guard.